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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE PRIMARY EXAMINER**

Application of:

Applicant: Paul S. Prevey III

Serial No.: 09/516,328

Filed: March 1, 2000

Art Unit: 3726

Docket: LRI-003PAT

Examiner: Eric Compton

Title: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING A RESIDUAL STRESS
DISTRIBUTION IN THE SURFACE OF A PART**

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO THE FIRST OFFICE ACTION
DATED APRIL 5, 2001**

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

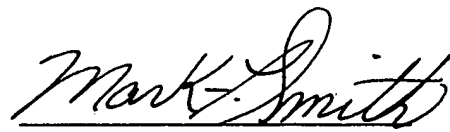
AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated April 5, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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